

Iron County Register

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IRONTON, MISSOURI

All dogs are not bad dogs.

Death is a big winner in automobile races.

Now a doctor has produced a heart stimulant from toads.

While swatting the fly, let us remember that the horse needs a drink.

Now is a good time for the man who invented all wool underwear to keep warm.

Good hot weather advice is to drink plenty of water, but not out of a public drinking cup.

With hay at \$27 a ton in Chicago, the Western farmer buys an automobile and pays cash for it.

An explosive golf ball is something new to us, although we have often heard of explosive golfers.

Chicago women advocate shirtwaists for policemen in summer, but who is going to button them up the back?

Evanston has a rooster that sings bass. Instead of being nursed into celebrity he is classed as a nuisance.

A Chicago professor advocates a school for scientific spooning, but it strikes us that spooners are born, not made.

The house fly may be of some use in the world, but thus far he has been unable to prove an alibi. Therefore, swat!

An eastern clergyman tells us to marry only our ideals, but he overlooks the fact that ideals change with years.

A sea serpent has already appeared at Atlantic City. It is 15 feet long and all regular patrons of that resort are seeing things.

Aeroplane races are bringing the various nationalities together more effectively than any other thing since the dispersion at Babel.

Two million trees have been planted in Kansas this year, and yet Kansas is a long way from being a cool and shady spot.

It would not be quite fair to charge all the suffering of last week to the account of humidity. The heat had something to do with it.

Lightning is keeping up its reputation for speed. It knocked an Ohio telephone girl insensible before she could give it the busy signal.

If the fly swatters attend strictly to business, some day we may be able to sing: "There are no flies on us." Suggestion for a national anthem.

The man who invented the lawn mower died the other day. Why can't something like this happen to the man who pushes one next door?

Boston is to have a hospital for none but rich people, and a new set of strictly aristocratic diseases are to be thought out to meet the wants of its patients.

If, while looking over your winter garments on suspicion that some of them may be all wool, you happen to see a moth, the proper course of action will occur to you.

Eggs criticised by Buffalo people hatched out chickens while left in the health commissioner's care over night. What do Buffalo people expect? Humming birds?

A European artist has arrived in New York for the purpose of painting the city. That's entirely unnecessary. New York is full of men who devote their nights to the job.

The son of the Begum of Bhopal, caught in an escapade in Paris, is sent home. The cable says the begum is a woman. Will somebody give us the word for a male begum?

A report comes from India of how four ferocious lions were captured alive and unharmed by means of fly paper. Mainly, the nature fakery have not been discouraged, but are in fine fettle for the season.

A London society journal prints an advertisement in which "a peer and peeress with quiet tastes" offer to associate during the summer with some married couple, visiting in England, for a consideration. Here is a new scheme whereby impoverished nobility may get along without working, and also, of course, a fine opportunity for Americans with money to spend it foolishly.

A New York bachelor killed himself after he had lost \$2,000,000 speculating in Wall street. A man who has \$2,000,000 and tries to get more by speculating in Wall street doesn't leave the world much poorer when he takes himself out of it.

A sculptor asserts that it is impossible to "show the majesty of the human form in trousers and skirts." Yet we venture to assert that he would reject in toto the proposition to display the majesty of his form by appearing without his trousers.

New York's \$10,000,000 library has been completed after nine years' work. Young men who go from Pittsburgh to New York will find it difficult to believe that the money, the time and the work were well spent.

The vice-president of the Philadelphia National League ball team became so excited during a recent game between the Philadelphia and Cincinnati that he suffered a cerebral hemorrhage, from the effects of which he has died. Caution: Don't take your baseball too seriously.

URGES 6 VESSELS FOR CANAL TRADE

CONGRESSMAN'S BILL GIVES NEW ASPECT TO SHIP SUBSIDY CAMPAIGN.

COULD BE USED IN WAR

Pacific Mail Company's Domination of Panama Route Is Feared in the West—Seeks to Fix Toll Rates on Canal.

Washington, D. C.—A bill soon will be introduced in the house of representative Stephens of California, authorizing the United States to construct six vessels for the Panama trade, which will make the opening of a campaign by western interests designed to promote the usefulness of the canal and at the same time to furnish six steamships that would be available for service as naval auxiliaries in the event of war.

This is a new angle in the general campaign for an effective ship subsidy law, and sponsors for the scheme believe it is entirely practicable and would do much to popularize the canal at the outset.

The plan is to have the vessels constructed in the near future. Pending the opening of the canal the vessels would operate between Pacific coast points and Panama, making connections by means of the Panama railroad with the government vessels operating between Colon and Atlantic and Gulf coast cities. When the canal is completed the vessels would engage in the Atlantic-Pacific coast trade.

West Fears Railroad Control. According to Representative Stephens and others interested in this proposed line of government-owned vessels, the question of developing shipping by the canal is becoming a big one in the western country and gulf cities.

If nothing is done they fear that the Pacific Mail Steamship company, which is conceded to be controlled by the trans-continental railroads, will be in position to dominate the traffic. In this event the canal would be of little competitive value. The hope of the far western shippers is that the canal will operate to largely reduce rates on transcontinental shipments.

California shippers and business men are perfecting arrangements for a large convention to be held next winter, which they hope will result in creating a strong sentiment throughout the country in favor of the construction of a line of government steamships for service through the canal.

Wants Toll Rates Fixed.

Col. George W. Goethals, while he has not advocated the construction of the government vessels, is conducting a vigorous campaign in favor of the passage of early legislation that will enable the government to fix the tolls to be charged for the passage of vessels through the canal, in order that this information may be given to the world at the earliest possible date.

Kaiser Likes U. S. Ships.

Kiel, Germany.—The second division of the United States Atlantic battleship fleet underwent inspection by the critical eye of the German kaiser. The kaiser and his suite were the guests at luncheon of Rear Admiral Badger on the flagship Louisiana. High praise was bestowed by him upon the smart appearance of the ships, officers and men and the general efficiency of the whole squadron.

Clark Not 1912 Candidate.

Montgomery, Mo.—Champ Clark, in a letter to editor of various newspapers in his congressional district, has set forth his position as a receptive candidate for the Democratic nomination for president in 1912. The letter says that while he is not a candidate and may never be, he feels that the mere mention is a great honor.

Packet Blows Up Kills Six.

Memphis, Tenn.—Five negroes were blown into the Mississippi and drowned; a sixth so badly scalded that he died before reaching the hospital, and about 50 rowboats, passengers and officers of the boat injured, by a boiler explosion on the Mississippi river packet City of St. Joseph.

Inspect Keokuk, Ia., Dam.

St. Louis, Mo.—Mayor Kreisman, with a party of city officials and engineers, left St. Louis in a Pullman car on the Burlington to inspect the new power dam at Keokuk, Ia. It is understood that the purpose of the junket is to get electric power from Keokuk for use in St. Louis.

Trolley Car Jumps Track.

Kokomo, Ind.—A passenger car on the Indiana Union Traction line from Logansport jumped the track in Kokomo, turning over and injuring five of the eight passengers, two probably fatally.

Union Pacific Merger Legal.

St. Louis, Mo.—The Union Pacific Railroad company is not in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, according to a decision handed down in St. Louis by the United States circuit court of appeals.

Must Report Accidents.

Washington, D. C.—Every common railway carrier will be required after July 1 to report to the interstate commerce commission by telegraph "any collision, derailment or other accident" resulting in the death.

Klein, German Composer, Dies.

New York.—Bruno Oscar Klein, composer, conductor and teacher, is dead at his home here. He was born in Germany 52 years ago, studied music and composition in Munich, and in 1883 came to New York.

READY FOR HIS BIG FANCY DRESS PARTY



CRIMINAL INQUIRY INTO STEEL TRUST

FEDERAL GRAND JURY SAID TO BE ON POINT OF AT LEAST ONE INDICTMENT.

A RIVAL BACKS CHARGES

Alpha Cement Company Charges Discrimination in Favor of Corporation Subsidiary—Result of Investigation to Washington.

New York, N. Y.—The federal grand jury for the criminal branch of the United States circuit court has been conducting for several weeks a secret inquiry into the affairs of the United States Steel corporation, and it is said at least one indictment will be returned next week.

The basis of the inquiry lies in the charges recently made by officers of the Alpha Portland Cement company against the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. It was asserted the railroad company gave large rebates to the Universal Portland Cement company, which is owned by the Steel corporation, and which is the principal business rival of the Alpha. The proposed indictment, it is said, will be under the Hepburn anti-rebating statute.

District Attorney Wise won't discuss the work of the grand jury, but it is known that body began its investigation early in May. This corresponds with the time that A. R. Mackley, special examiner of the interstate commerce commission, began an inquiry into the charges made by Frederick H. Gerstell and Louis H. Porter, president and counsel, respectively, for the Alpha Portland Cement company of Manheim, W. Va. The complaint charged the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company with unfair rate discrimination and involves 160 other defendants, including all of the large railroad lines of the country.

At the first hearing of the complaint Porter said: "The United States Steel corporation practically dominates the railroads of the country and its tremendous influence has enabled the Universal Portland Cement company of Pittsburgh, a company owned entirely by the Steel corporation, to obtain more favorable freight rates than can be obtained by its chief competitor and rival, the Alpha. We charge unjust discrimination in freight rates."

Kaiser Sails in Big Race.

Kiel, Germany, June 24.—With U. S. Ambassador David J. Hill, Admiral Badger of the American fleet, now here, and Lieut. Commander Frederick A. Traut, naval attaché at Berlin, as his guests, the kaiser sailed his racing yacht Meteor in the contest between big yachts at the Kiel regatta.

Poised 30 Years as Woman.

Boston, June 24.—"Harriet Kelly, stewardess" of the steamer Andrew, who perished when the steamer burned Sunday, was discovered at the inquest to have been a man who had posed 30 years as a woman.

Falls 160 Feet, Tears Pants.

New York, June 24.—Evan Sherman, painter, fell 160 feet and escaped with only a rent in his trousers, by striking a network of telegraph wires.

Missouri Farmers Jubilant.

Brookfield, Mo.—A heavy rain fell in Linn and Charlton counties and the farmers are jubilant. It is the first time for many weeks that water has stood in the cornfields, and was beginning to be needed.

Toy Ship Makes Long Voyage.

New York.—The 30-foot Australian yawl Pandora, hailing from Perth, West Australia, is in port after a long voyage from the antipodes. The owner and captain comprise the ship's company.

State Officials Sign Petition.

Little Rock, Ark.—Leaders of the movement to eliminate saloons from Little Rock stated that the three-mile petition, which has been in circulation for several months, will be filed in the county court.

New Bank Chartered.

Little Rock, Ark.—A charter was granted to the Farmers and Merchants' bank at Rison, capitalized at \$25,000. A. B. Banks is president, J. E. Moore vice-president and J. B. Searcy secretary.

SUGAR HEAD NAMES TAFT

WITNESS TELLS OF TALK WITH THE PRESIDENT.

Says He Aided Former Secretary of War's Philippine Plans—Smith on Way to the Capital.

Washington, D. C.—William H. Taft was drawn into the sugar trust inquiry by Charles B. Warren, president of the Michigan Sugar company, who told the Hardwick committee of visiting Taft when he was secretary of war, and talking over the tariff on sugar with him.

"Mr. Taft then gave you to understand that in the event of his election as president the tariff on sugar would not be disturbed?" asked Chairman Hardwick. "He did not," answered Warren. "We talked of sugar conditions in general and Mr. Taft delivered to me a letter asking me to support his plan for sugar concessions in the Philippines. He thought I could conciliate the beet sugar interests."

"Did you?" "The beet sugar interests agreed that the Philippines' concessions would not injure the beet sugar industry, and submitted to the legislation Mr. Taft wanted."

President Joseph Smith of the Mormon church notified the committee that he started for Washington to testify and would be here probably Monday.

POSSE CAPTURES SLAYER

Suitor, Aged 78, Refused Girl, Attempts to Murder Whole Family—Five Posses on Trail.

Janeville, Wis.—Because she refused to allow Louis Keller, 78, to marry her 15-year-old daughter, Katherine, Mrs. Johanna Hieske was shot and killed by Keller in an attempt to wipe out the entire Hieske family.

Keller escaped after the shooting, but was later captured by one of the five posses immediately organized to search for him.

AMISH FOLLOWER MOBBED

Ohio Whitecaps Tar and Feather a Neighbor Who Differs in Religious Belief.

Fredericksburg, O.—The authorities are conducting an investigation into the tarring and feathering of Michael Hellman by a band of whitecaps. Hellman lives near a religious settlement of the Amish sect, and it is believed religious differences may have had something to do with the outrage.

Photographers Have Rights.

Newport, R. I., June 24.—A newspaper photographer has a right to take a picture of anyone in a public street, according to a decision by Judge Stearns in the superior court here. He instructed the jury to return a verdict of \$400 in favor of a Boston newspaper photographer who had alleged assault and personal injury against Harry P. Walker of this city while the photographer was taking pictures of a Newport society wedding last March.

Portraits to Be Destroyed.

Chicago, June 24.—Disposing of a \$100,000 estate, Sylvester T. Smith, former president of the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific, demands that all portraits of himself and family be destroyed immediately.

Thrashing Has Begun.

Eolia, Mo.—The wheat harvest of this vicinity, which is grading and yielding better than the average, is over and thrashing has begun. The Eolia Elevator company shipped two car loads of wheat to St. Louis.

Illinois Corn Gets Needed Rain.

Bloomington, Ill.—Rain has been falling over central Illinois, breaking the drought and saving oats and corn. Reports show that the downpour was general. Wheat harvest is now in full tide.

Illinois Monument Dealers Meet.

Quincy, Ill.—The midsummer convention of the Illinois Retail Monument Dealers' association opened in Hotel Quincy. It is expected 100 delegates will attend. President Fontado addressed the meeting.

Hedding College Graduates 19.

Galesburg, Ill.—At the fifty-seventh annual commencement exercises of Hedding college at Abingdon a class of nineteen was graduated. Bishop Robert McIntyre of St. Paul delivered the commencement address.

SEE'S TRUTHS PUT THREE TO SLEEP

JUROR, POLICEMAN AND TRIAL REPORTER SNOOZE AS EXCERPTS ARE READ.

HYPNOTISM CRY RAISED

Naps End, However, When Attorney Calls Attention to Risque Paragraph—Says Bridges Had Neglected His Daughter.

Chicago, June 24.—Although excerpts from the "Book of Truth" read at the trial of Evelyn Arthur See were of a nature that earned the closest attention from most of the spectators, Juror F. W. Gottlieb fell asleep and slumbered peacefully for 15 minutes. His nap was broken when Prosecutor Burnham loudly declaimed a paragraph, which sent a wave of blushes through the numerous feminine contingent. Then he settled back in his chair and listened.

Attorney James E. Callahan of the defense said Gottlieb's lapse would be used, if necessary, in applying for a new trial for See.

Three Fall Asleep.

The day was hot and the courtroom was crowded. Gottlieb had scarcely become thoroughly awake before it was discovered a stenographer had fallen asleep. His pencil faltered in its course and then stopped. He was awakened in an agony.

A policeman in charge of the "Book of Truth" also fell a victim to drowsiness, but not being needed by either side he was allowed to slumber on. A spectator with a bald head enjoyed similar immunity.

Those who urge the defendants has a "hypnotic power" called attention to the fact that those who succumbed were in line with his vision, but no one could swear that he had looked with any particular intensity at any of the sleepers except the juror.

Would Prove Neglect.

One paragraph read to the jury follows:

"Do you think I allow the dissipation of my world. It is only when you are free I make you husband and wife. Society will sanction what you do because it is my will. I have not forgotten society in my obligations for the person. Your freedom in sex is not freedom with sex; it is freedom from sex."

Counsel for See examined Miss Bridges with a view to bringing out her father had shown little concern for her at times, and that while Mr. Bridges was on a trip to the Pacific coast he had neglected his daughter.

WILL KEEP SENATE BUSY

Speaker Clark Says Tariff Legislation Is Needed and Demanded—To Vote on Paper Clause.

Washington, June 24.—Predicting an all-summer session and declaring that the house will not adjourn sine die until the senate acts on the general tariff revision bill, Speaker Champ Clark, in an interview, said:

"We are going to shoot tariff bills over to the senate just as fast as we can frame them properly and secure their passage in the house. The cotton schedule probably will be followed by a revision of the sugar, iron, steel and other sections of the Payne-Aldrich law."

The senate decided to vote on the amendment to the paper clause of the Canadian reciprocity agreement, Monday. Senator Root, author of the amendment, concedes its overwhelming defeat.

PACKERS' PLEA IS DENIED

Application for Bill of Particulars From Government in Conspiracy Case Is Refused.

Chicago, June 24.—Federal Judge Carpenter denied the application of the packers who are indicted on the charge of criminal conspiracy in restraint of trade, for a bill of particulars from the government. This is the last dilatory action the indicted millionaires may take. Judge Carpenter declared he would probably call the men before the bar for trial on November 20, when court reconvenes after the summer vacation.

Buried Under \$9,000,000.

San Francisco, June 24.—Buried under \$9,000,000 in gold, Wadsworth S. Williams, an employee of the San Francisco mint, was so badly injured that his recovery is doubtful. The gold, in sacks, toppled in one of the mint vaults and overwhelmed Williams, who was wheeling a truck.

Rein Saves Corn Crop.

Frankford, Ark.—A rain covering Frankford and vicinity fell, the first for eight weeks. Gardens and truck patches have dried up, but the rain will save the promising corn crop that would have been lost.

Record Wheat Crop in Howard.

Fayette, Mo.—Howard county has just cut the largest crop of wheat in her history. The grain is of the best quality and the acreage larger than ever before. Corn never looked finer, but needs rain badly.

Two Drown in Gulf; Six Saved.

Pensacola, Fla.—Miss Kathleen Suggs, aged 18, and Roscoe Wallace were drowned in the gulf here. A half dozen young women were rescued. They were members of a picnic party.

Arkansas Gets Yale Honors.

Pine Bluff, Ark.—Armstrong Barrow, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Barrow of Pine Bluff, has completed a postgraduate course in the Yale law school and taken highest honors in the class, according to news received.

Congressional Notes

Chief Moore of the government weather bureau has filed with the house committee on expenditures in the department of agriculture a number of voluntary commendations of the weather service, which were sent to him by western fruit growers.

That the McCormick family and the harvester trust created the story of the "slush fund" of \$100,000 because of personal enmity toward Lorimer was indicated at the hearing before the senate committee as the new defense of Senator William Lorimer of Illinois in his fight to hold his seat.

The house ways and means committee has laid out its general plan for a tariff-for-revenue bill on the cotton textile schedule. This measure, fourth in the Democratic tariff program, will be ready for consideration in three weeks. The leaders want to cut the tariff on cotton goods fully 50 per cent. What they can do depends on the work on which the committee's experts will be engaged until Chairman Underwood returns from Atlantic City July 5.

The free re-entry into this country of all domestic animals except those specifically mentioned in another part of the law is the effort of a proposed amendment to the Payne tariff law, which the treasury department has submitted to the house ways and means committee. The amendment is proposed in view of the recent decision of the court of customs appeals.

Taxation of automobiles going from one state to another, the money thus derived to be used for the improvement of the roads, is contemplated in a bill introduced by Senator Simmons of North Carolina. The bill is a general good-roads bill, and provides for federal aid on account of the postal routes.

Senator La Follette of Wisconsin protested to the senate committee on the judiciary against the confirmation of Guy D. Goff, as district attorney for the eastern district of that state. La Follette complained he had not been consulted and he supposed this slight had been due to his opposition to the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill.

Delegate Cameron of Arizona requested the senate committee on territories to amend the Arizona constitution by eliminating the recall of judges. He based his request on the opposition of the president to this feature of the constitution and said he feared its retention ultimately would defeat statehood.

Frauds amounting to several million dollars in duties on importations of cutlery during the last few years have been discovered by secret agents of the customs service who have been working in this country and in the Solingen district of Germany, whence most of the imports come to the United States.

Canadian reciprocity discussion in the senate centers on the Root amendment to the wool pulp and paper schedule, with Mr. Root in a speech undertaking to show why his amendment should be in the bill, and President Taft and the house Democratic leaders fighting to prevent its inclusion.

The news that President Taft has determined to veto any tariff measure passed at this session of congress will not effect the plans of the senate allies to press the Underwood tariff revision bill, it was declared, but it will be acted upon as a separate measure, without reference to the recall.

The Lorimer investigation committee of the senate practically declared Richard Yates, former governor of Illinois, innocent of the charge of having had a long-distance telephone conversation with Edward Hines on the day William Lorimer was elected as senator.

Representative Shirley of Kentucky introduced an amendment to the pure food and drugs act providing false and misleading statements as to the curative value of a medicinal preparation on patent medicine labels be prohibited.

In a special message to the house of representatives President Taft stated that the tariff board would not be ready to submit a comprehensive report on woolen and cotton schedules of the tariff law until December next.

On behalf of the finance committee, Chairman Penrose reported the farmers' free list and the Underwood bill to the senate. He verbally announced a majority of the committee reports the bill adversely.

By a vote of six to three, the senate ordered a favorable report on the joint resolution approving the constitutions of Arizona and New Mexico, in much the same form as it passed the house.

A resolution in the senate succeeded by a vote of 39 to 18 in ordering the finance committee to report the Democratic house bill revising the wool schedule on or before July 10.

An investigation of the campaign contributions in the general elections of 1904 and 1908 is proposed in a resolution which Senator Culberson of Texas introduced.

William T. Vernon, the Kansas negro, who was formerly register of the treasury, is to fill the position of superintendent of Indians and his duties will keep him in Washington most of the time. He will be under the personal direction of Indian Commissioner Valentine.

Chairman Hardwick of the house committee which is investigating the so-called sugar trust, directed the sergeant-at-arms of the house to issue a subpoena for the appearance before the committee of Joseph F. Smith, head of the Mormon church.

No less than 400,000,000 envelopes will be needed during the next four years to carry on the correspondence of the government service. This estimate was made by Postmaster General Hitchcock, who closed a contract for the envelopes with a Cincinnati firm the present contractors.

Chairman Hardy of Texas, of the committee investigating the navy department, said his committee had discovered "corrupt administration of the navy yards and shameful extravagance and rank use of political patronage."

MISSOURI NEWS

12,000 COPIES OF NEW LAWS.

Share Sent to St. Louis is 1,000—Kansas City Gets 500.

Jefferson City.—For the first time under the present state constitution, the secretary of state was able to ship out all of the new laws on the date of their going into effect.

Twelve thousand copies were sent to the circuit court clerks, the full number required by law. Parties who desire copies must call upon their circuit clerks, as the secretary of state does not fill orders for the session acts, as is the case with the Revised Statutes.

State and county officials and members of the general assembly receive copies free, but others must pay 50 cents, that representing the cost of production.

Sue "White Cappers."

Springfield.—Charging that his neighbors first forced him to confess to a crime he had never committed—one of burglary—and that afterwards they caused him to sell all his holdings in one county and remove to another state through fear of personal violence, Armon Elumbaugh, formerly of Rayburn, Wright county, has filed suit for \$20,000 damages against the six persons he blames.

Shot in Row Over 20 Cents.

Sedalia.—James Wilkerson, a local politician, former policeman and several times candidate for alderman, shot and probably fatally wounded George Miller, 20 years old, here. The shooting, according to neighbors, followed a quarrel over the collection of 20 cents, which Wilkerson claimed Miller should pay as his share of the damage done to Wilkerson's property by a charivari party.

Farmington Asylum Has \$500 Fire.

Farmington.—Prompt work by the volunteer fire department of State Hospital No. 4 saved the kitchen, dining room and storehouse of the institution, valued at \$40,000, from destruction by fire. Fire caught from a flue in the kitchen, and when discovered the flames were leaping from the roof of the dining room 28 feet above the ground. The damage will be less than \$500.

Physicians Elect J. C. Lyter.

Columbia.—The North Missouri Medical Association closed its two-day meeting. Before adjournment these officers were elected: Dr. J. C. Lyter of Moberly, president; Dr. C. O. Davidson, Columbia, first vice-president; Dr. W. O. Hawkins, Roanoke, second vice-president; Dr. E. M. Gilford, Monroe City, secretary; Dr. J. Wilson, Kirksville, corresponding secretary.

Macadam Road for Elsberry.

Elsberry.—Through the efforts of the Commercial club of this city \$15,000 has been subscribed for the building and grading of a first-class macadam road, leading north, connecting with the famous Pike county gravel roads.

Weights 346, She Fasts Month.

Kirksville.—Mrs. Sarah Powell has eaten nothing for a month and has reduced her weight from 346 to 307 pounds. She began her long fast to regain her health,